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**Notice of Staff Workshop
for
HYDROGEN ENERGY CALIFORNIA
(08-AFC-8)**

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08-AFC-8**

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The California Energy Commission Staff will conduct a workshop on the Occidental of Elk Hills, Inc. (OEHL) draft Monitoring, Reporting, and Verification (MRV) Plan for the proposed enhanced oil recovery (EOR) and carbon dioxide (CO₂) sequestration aspects of the Hydrogen Energy California (HECA) project. This workshop is open to the public and intended to allow interested regulatory agencies and interested parties an opportunity to ask questions and comment on the draft MRV Plan. Other aspects of the proposed project may also be discussed. The workshop will be held:

Tuesday, August 17, 2010

1:00 p.m.

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1516 Ninth Street

First Floor, Hearing Room B Sacramento, California
(Wheelchair Accessible)
(Map Attached)

Remote Access: To participate in the MRV Plan Workshop via computer:

1. Website: <https://energy.webex.com>
2. Unique meeting number: 928 099 935
3. Meeting password: betdat2010

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Purpose

The Energy Commission Staff is currently analyzing Hydrogen Energy International's (HEI) Revised Application for Certification (AFC) for the proposed development of HECA, and preparing the Preliminary Staff Assessment (PSA). The purpose of the workshop is to discuss the draft MRV Plan and to learn more about the operation and management of the CO₂ EOR Project that is proposed by OEHL. The main objective of the CO₂ EOR

Project would be to use CO₂ produced by the HECA project to extend the life of OEHI's existing enhanced oil recovery program in an area within the Elk Hills Unit (EHU). It is expected that a large portion of the CO₂ used in the EOR will be permanently sequestered within the EHU. The MRV Plan is one means of evaluating the success of this project.

Please Note: OEHI's MRV Plan information is located on the Energy Commission's HECA project website:

http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/hydrogen_energy/index.html

under the following heading: documents and reports/applicant's documents.

Background

On May 28, 2009, HEI submitted a Revised AFC to the California Energy Commission proposing to construct and operate an electrical generating plant near the unincorporated community of Tupman, in western Kern County, California. HECA would be an integrated gasification combined cycle (IGCC), 250-megawatt (MW) power generation facility. The gasification block, which produces hydrogen syngas, would also capture carbon from the raw syngas at steady-state operation that would be transported to the Elk Hills Field for CO₂ EOR.

The proposed project would be located on a 473-acre site located approximately 7 miles west of the outermost edge of the city of Bakersfield and 1.5 miles northwest of Tupman. The site would be located near a hydrocarbon-producing area known as the Elk Hills Field, and is currently used primarily for agricultural purposes.

Public Participation

The Energy Commission's Public Adviser's Office provides the public with assistance in participating in Energy Commission activities. If you want information on how to participate in this proceeding, please contact the Public Adviser's Office at (916) 654-4489 or toll free at (800) 822-6228, by FAX at (916) 654-4493, or by e-mail at [\[PublicAdviser@energy.state.ca.us\]](mailto:PublicAdviser@energy.state.ca.us).

To request special accommodations for those persons with disabilities, please contact Lourdes Quiroz, at lquiroz@energy.state.ca.us or by telephone (916) 654-5146. For those persons with limited English fluency, request interpreter services by contacting Rod Jones, Energy Commission Project Manager, at (916) 654-5191 or by e-mail at rjones@energy.state.ca.us.

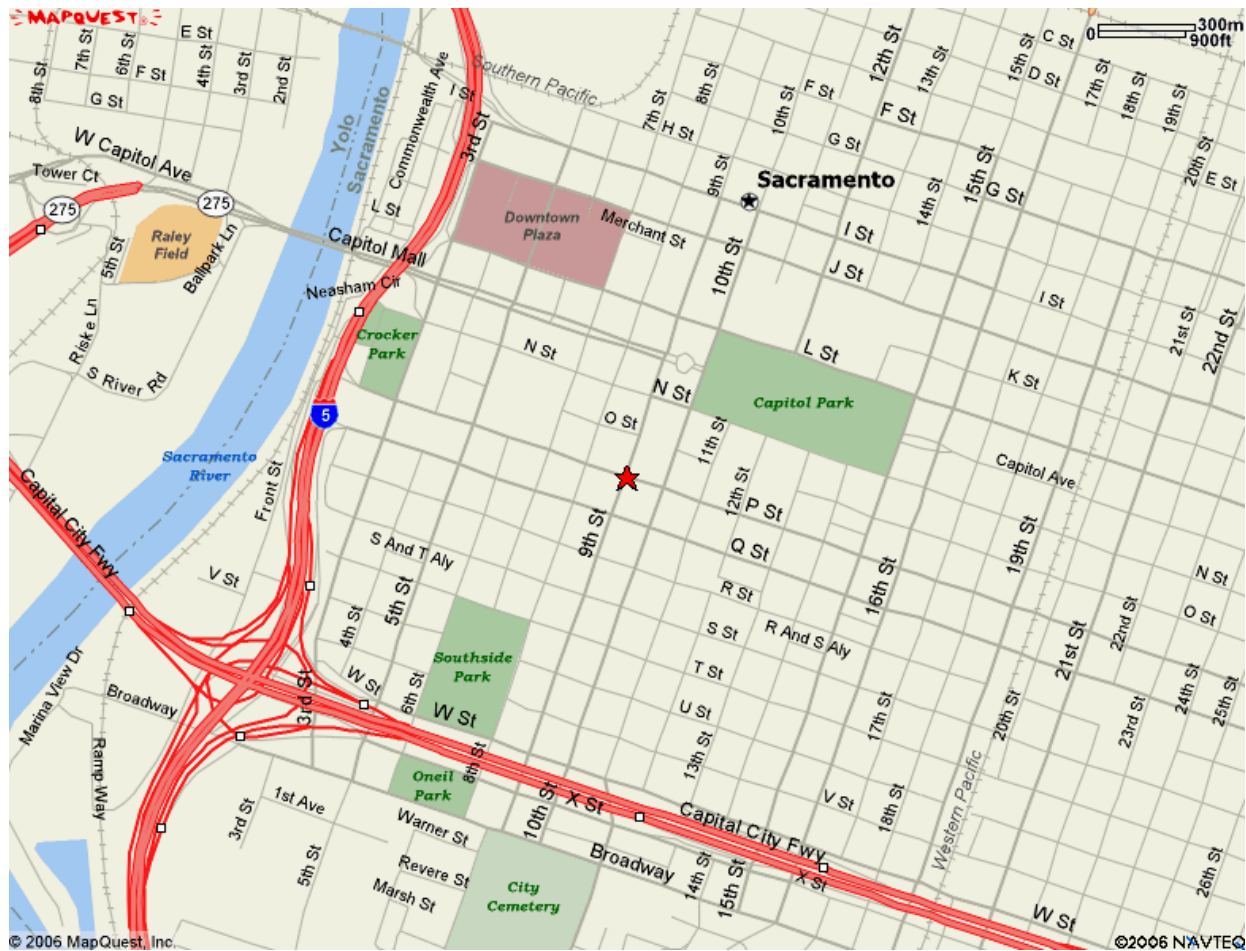
General information about the proposed HECA project and related documents are available on the Energy Commission's website at: http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/hydrogen_energy/index.html. Please direct all news media inquiries to the Energy Commission's media office at (916) 654-4989 or e-mail at mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us. Please direct your technical or project schedule questions to Rod Jones, Energy Commission Project Manager, at (916) 654-5191 or by e-mail at rjones@energy.state.ca.us.

If you are unable to attend the workshop, written comments may be sent to the staff's project manager electronically or to the Energy Commission's street address shown on the letterhead of this Notice. Please reference the project identification number, 08-AFC-8, in all communications.

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**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION
FOR THE *HYDROGEN ENERGY*
*CALIFORNIA PROJECT***

Docket No. 08-AFC-8

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, Maria Santourdjian, declare that on August 5, 2010, I served and filed copies of the attached Notice of Staff Workshop for Hydrogen Energy California (08-AFC-8), dated August 5, 2010. The original documents, filed with the Docket Unit, is accompanied by a copy of the most recent Proof of Service list, located on the web page for this project at: [www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/hydrogen_energy].

The documents have been sent to both the other parties in this proceeding (as shown on the Proof of Service list) and to the Commission's Docket Unit, in the following manner:

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- X sent electronically to all email addresses on the Proof of Service list;
 by personal delivery;
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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct, that I am employed in the county where this mailing occurred, and that I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the proceeding.

Maria

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